

OFFICE OF RACIAL EQUITY AND SOCIAL JUSTICE

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County Executive

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MEMORANDUM

May 3, 2021

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To: Jennifer Bryant, Director

Office of Management and Budget

From: Tiffany Ward, Director

Office of Racial Equity and Social Justice

RE: Supplemental Appropriation #21-520 to the FY21 Operating Budget

Montgomery County Government

Supplemental for Snow Removal/Wind and Rainstorm Cleanup

Department of Transportation - \$13,575,533 Department of General Services - \$4,136,089

Pursuant to Bill 44-20, section 2-64A, the Office of Racial Equity and Social Justice submits its assessment for the racial equity impact of Montgomery County Department of Transportation in the amount of \$13,575,533 and for the Department of General Services (DGS) in the amount of \$4,136,089 for snow removal, wind and rainstorm cleanup. The supplemental request for DGS reflects the bulk of the department's storm cleanup costs since DGS has no budget for storm cleanup. This appropriation will fund snow removal and wind and rainstorm cleanup expenditures incurred during FY21.

Snow removal and storm cleanup benefits all county residents, homeowners, business owners, pedestrians and visitors. And to the extent that Black Indigenous People of Color (BIPOC) are represented, they also benefit as well. Everyone is served by snow removal, storm, wind and rainwater cleanup. This appropriation neither exacerbates nor eliminates racial inequities. The Office of Racial Equity finds that this supplemental appropriation has no racial equity impact. And further this appropriation is in keeping with the standard county practice of requesting a supplemental appropriation for snow removal and storm cleanup instead of budgeting for the full cost. Thank you.

cc: Chris Conklin, Director, Department of Transportation

David Dise, Director, Department of General Services Dale Tibbitts, Council Liaison, Office of the County Executive

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